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Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 09354.0003-00 (Previously 07336.0003-00)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of:)
Mariko OKAMOTO et al.) Group Art Unit: 1615
Application No.: 09/667,420) Examiner: B. FUBARA
Filed: September 21, 2000) Confirmation No. 8873
For: GEL COMPOSITION AND ITS USE IN)
COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS AND)
THE LIKE)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 41.47(b), Appellants request an oral hearing.

This request is timely since it is made within two-months of the December 6, 2006,
mailing date of the Examiner's Answer.

A check for the required fee of \$ 1,000.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(3) is
enclosed.

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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this paper and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: February 6, 2006

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